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Mr. Darrel C. Orr  
1117 Nevada  
Libby, MT 59923

Dear Mr. Orr,

I write in response to your two letters sent to Administrator Mike Leavitt dated March 7, 2004.

You make specific allegations of improper influence by W.R. Grace on the work at the Libby Asbestos Superfund site, and general statements about waste, fraud, and abuse. You also express concern that certain organizations unduly influence the level of funding for the site. These are serious allegations.

You clearly have not been satisfied with the Environmental Protection Agency's response to your concerns. We subsequently referred you to EPA's Office of Inspector General. In your letter you expressed dissatisfaction with their conclusions. The best remaining option within EPA is for you to work with the Superfund National Ombudsman, Mr. Paul McKechnie. His telephone number is (617) 918-1471. We have alerted him to your concerns.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

for Max Dodson  
Assistant Regional Administrator  
Ecosystems Protection and Remediation

cc: Paul McKechnie



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